

**DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN
PATENT APPLICATION
(37 CFR 1.63)**

Attorney Docket No.: 15-XZ-6099 (GEMS-A 0126 PUS)

As a below named inventor, I (we) hereby declare that:

My (Our) residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I (We) believe I (we) am (are) the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

AUTOMATIC EXPOSURE CONTROL FOR A DIGITAL IMAGE ACQUISITION SYSTEM

the specification of which:

(check one) is attached hereto
 was filed on _____; as U.S. Application Serial No. _____; and was amended on _____
(if applicable) OR PCT International Application Number _____

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 USC §119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT International Application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT International Application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s):

	Priority Claimed		Certified Copy Attached	
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(Number)				
(Country)				

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Prior U.S. Application(s) OR
PCT Parent Number:

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 USC § 119(e) of any United States provisional application listed below:

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